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--SUMMARY OF INVENTION

~~This object is achieved by~~ According to the invention, there is provided a device for the optical scanning of media, objects or surfaces with the features of claim 1 comprising a deflection mirror means including a deflection surface adapted to deflect light beams incident thereon and having a normal extending rectangularly to said deflection surface. A drive means is coupled to the deflection mirror means for rotating the deflection mirror means about an axis of rotation. The surface normal is angularly tilted relative to the axis of rotation. The deflection mirror means is located in a bearing-mounted fitting and is provided with at least one compensation mass means so that the axis of rotation coincides with a principal axis of inertia of a combination consisting of the deflection mirror means and the fitting. In accordance with the invention, the deflection mirror can be rotated, the mirror normal being titled relative to the axis of rotation. The axis of tilt runs perpendicular to the mirror normal. During rotation, the deflection mirror makes a tumbling movement. The light beam describes an ellipsis on the target surface. Consequently, the scanning speed can be high. As the drive unit for the rotation movement does not have to produce any large acceleration forces, a low-cost drive unit with a low rating can be used.--.

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